

Hi Fans,

Hope you watched the ROBERT YOUNG WITH THE YOUNG special which finally aired May 6. Those of you writing in to say there wasn't enough of K & R on the show, I agree with you wholeheartedly. One song by Karen just wasn't enough! Their new album NOW AND THEN has finally been released as well as a new single called YESTERDAY ONCE MORE. So, Happy Listening! We've had hundreds of inquiries concerning awards, Grammys, Gold Records, etc. that K & R have achieved so this NL will bring you up to date. First, Plaques and/or certificates:

Recognition of High Standards of Music, from sorority of LDS church.

Orange County Press Club Headliners

Award of Notability for Outstanding Achievements from Downey Chamber of Commerce

1971 Trendsetter Award from Billboard

1971 No. 1 Award for Top Singles, Billboard Easy Listening Artist

Honorary Chairman, Youth Against Cancer (Karen)

Honorary Membership, Youth Against Cancer (K & R)

Grand Marshalls Downey Christmas Parade, Dec. 5, 1971

Carpenters Day, Dec. 7, 1971

NARM (National Association of Record Merchandisers) Best selling group 1971

WFIL Hall of Fame, Top ten songs award for Close to You

Salute to Carpenters from Ed Shea and Stanley Adams, American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers for Hurting Each Other, Close to You, and Rainy Days & Mondays (3 Plaques)

A Tribute to Achievement for Gold Record Awards for single, CTY and albums, CTY & Carpenters from the continent of Australia.

TROPHIES:

First Place - Chamber music (Richard) while in grade school

Honorary Yearbook Queen (Karen) Columbus Technical Institute - Aug. 1971

1966 Battle of the Bands, Hollywood Bowl, consisted of

Best Combo Sweepstakes Combo Finalist (R) Combo Finalist (K) Outstanding Instrumentalist (R)

All American College Show (TV) 1968 & 1969 consisted of

First Place, Trio First Place, Trio - Semi Finals First Place, Karen, Drums

First Place, Richard First Place, Richard - Semi Finals First Place, Richard - Finals

Downey High School Band 1967 (Karen)

John Phillip Sousa Band Award (Karen)

Downey High School Outstanding Senior (Richard)

AGVA (American Guild of Variety Artists) Musical Group of the Year 1971

GRAMMY AWARDS:

Best New Artist 1970 - Best Contemporary Vocal Group, CTY 1970 - Best Vocal Pop Group for Carpenters Album 1971

GRAMMY NOMINATIONS:

1970 - Record of the Year (CTY) - Album of the Year (CTY) - Best Arrangement Accompanying vocalist (CTY) 1971 - Best Arrangement Accompanying vocalist (Superstar) -

Best vocal performance by a duo, group or chorus (Carpenters Album) - Best Album of the Year (Carpenters) 1972 - Best Instrumental Arrangement (Flat Baroque)

GOLD RECORDS:

Singles - Close to You, Rainy Days & Mondays, Only Just Begun, For All We Know, Superstar, Hurting Each Other and Sing

Albums - Close to You, Carpenters, and A Song for You

Both A & M Recording Co. and the Record Industry Assn of America presented a gold record for each of the above to both K & R. This means there are four gold records for each song adorning the Carpenter walls! Foreign countries, too, show their appreciation for K & R's beautiful music by presenting gold records. They each have 2 gold records from King Records of Japan and 1 from Australia.

How's that for achievements for two youngsters in their twenties ?

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Since this is a letter of Carpenter Achievements, I'd like to add that among the trophies won by K & R, there is also one won by K's Belgian Shepherd for best behaved dog in a dog-training class!

Rap next month,

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